

As a lifetime user of the RF spectrum I find it appalling what Sinclair Broadcasting has been doing over the people's airwaves. Sinclair is another sign that broadcasters no longer serve the public interest. Instead they have become the corporate mouthpieces for the rich ruling elite. As a consequence everything aired on the commercial media and so-called public radio is suspect as propaganda by those who own the media. Shame on us. Shame on Sinclair. Shame on the FCC.

Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions have illustrated the dangers to localism caused by media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.